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1. The Soviet ambassador* to China personally directs the activities of Soviet military advisory groups in China.
2. The Soviet military advisory group in Dairen is also indirectly under the control of the Soviet Far East Military District headquarters. The Dairen advisory group directs the activities of Soviet agents in South Korea and in Japan and maintains constant liaison with the Soviet military advisory group in North Korea.
3. The Soviet military advisory group in Canton directs activities of Soviet agents in South China and Southeast Asia, and maintains liaison with the Soviet military delegation to Ho Chi Minh in French Indochina. This group originally consisted of about ten men headed by Ch'ia-so-no-szu-chi (齐索诺斯基) (? Sasonovich), all of whom lived on the seventh floor of the Oikwan (爱群) Hotel. In April 1950 more than a hundred Soviets joined the Canton advisory group. Some, however, transferred to Yunnan and Kweichow Provinces in early May. The others live in the Hsin Hua (新华) and Pai Kung (白宫) hotels and the former UNRRA building.
4. The Soviet naval advisory group in Tsingtao is responsible for the training program of the Communist naval academy in Tsingtao. This group consists of twenty-five members, one of whom is Ch'ia-chi-yu-fu (齐基犹夫) (? Shychev).****
5. The Soviet air force delegation headed by Mousky** maintains its headquarters in Peiping. It is responsible for training Chinese Communists in aviation, and for construction and repair of Chinese airfields and airfield installations. The delegation consists of about 3,000 men divided into three teams: staff officers, aviation training, and technical personnel. Members of the delegation are stationed in Shanghai, Nanking, Hsuehchow, Tsingtao, Ningbo, Wuchang, Hankow, and Canton.
6. The Soviet News Agency TASS has branches in Peiping and Shanghai and is operating branches in Nanking, Chungking, Tientsin, and Canton. The Peiping branch headed by V.M. Rogov is the leading branch in China. Chief of the Shanghai branch, M.F. Yakshamin,*** is in charge of Soviet propaganda in China. A number of TASS correspondents who have just arrived in China also serve as advisors and technicians to the Chinese Communists.

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7. The Moscow People's (Narodny) Bank now has a branch with sub-offices in Peiping, and a branch in Tientsin in addition to its branch in Shanghai. The Chinese Communist government bank represents this bank in south China.
8. Intourist, the Soviet travel agency, has branch offices in Peiping, Shanghai, Tientsin, and Canton. The Canton branch was established after Soviet recognition of the Ho Chi Minh government. There has also been a general expansion of Intourist's activities because of the arrival of large numbers of Soviet advisers in China.
9. The following Soviet organizations have also increased their activities because of the arrival of Soviet advisers: the Soviet Citizens Club in Shanghai under the direction of the Soviet Citizens Association in Shanghai (SCA), and the Association of Soviet Women (ASZW) in China.

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* ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Comment. Soviet Ambassador Roshchin was also reported to be deputy chief of the liaison committee of the Communist organization for Asia.

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** ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Comment. The name was received in English without variant forms.

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Comment. Yakshamin, who came to Shanghai in 1944 as assistant TASS manager, was reported to be a special representative of the Soviet Propaganda Bureau at that time.

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Comment. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ reported Ku-ch'i-chi-yu-fu as head of the Chinese Communist Naval Academy in Tsingtao in May 1950.

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